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R Cl**REQUEST****FOR****CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL****MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/717,477
Confirmation Number	8115
Filing Date	November 21, 2003
First Named Inventor	NISHIMURA, Masaharu
Group Art Unit	3746
Examiner Name	Ted Kim
Matter Number	Q78517
Title	GAS TURBINE EXHAUST PASSAGE AND DAMPER SYSTEM FOR SAME

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted  
i.  Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on November 17, 2004  
ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed  
i.  Amendment/Reply  
ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
iii.  Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)  
iv.  Petition for Extension of Time  
v.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months  
b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

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Signature Jeffrey A. Schmidt Date December 20, 2004